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## Prices and Prospects.

### TALKING BUSINESS FOR COMING YEAR.

#### Consumers and Producers Discussing Contracts for First Half.

#### CAN NOT AGREE ON PRICES

In Most Cases Both the Buyers and Sellers Are Far Apart in Their Views as to What Furnace Coke Ought to Bring Next Year.

**SPECIAL TO THE WEEKLY COURIER**  
PITTSBURG, Nov. 15.—Prospects for closing furnace coke contracts for the first half of next year have been looking up in the past week, and it is not impossible that some good business will be closed before our next report is written. While as a rule furnaces have been holding off performing to wait until the end of the year before committing themselves, a few have concluded that as the coke interests are rather ready to sell and the iron trade is looking up a trifle, it will be better to close as soon as advantageous terms are offered.

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#### IRON AND STEEL.

There is a Distinctly Better Tone in Many Lines.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—The American Metal Market will say today for the first time in more than two months a distinctly better tone is discerned in the finished steel market. There has been no advance in prices at any point and indeed no noticeable stiffening but buyers in some products notably merchant bars are showing a disposition to buy further ahead. This is causing the mills to stiffen up somewhat in the matter of deliveries and the lowest prices being made in all cases only to the end of the year such products as bars, plates and shapes commanding \$1 to \$2 a ton more on contracts for first quarter. There has been a little contracting for bar for first quarter at 1.10c and 1.15c. Upon the most desirable business, good specifications and early delivery of round tonnages bars can be done at 1.10c and plate and shapes at 1.10c.

In the past few nights orders for fully 20,000 tons have been placed. This is equal to the total orders during the preceding four months, a most worthy record showing that orders for 20,000 tons were booked in July, 1910, in August, 1,000 in September and 5,000 in October. The Baltimore & Ohio has been in the market for 1,000 cars and there have been some other inquiries. The prospect is that plate will be much better employed this winter on car material than was expected 6 days ago.

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These recent purchases of prompt furnace

## Old Stockholders Will Buy Back The Tri-State Telephone Plant.

UNIONTOWN Nov. 15.—When the local plant of the American Union Telephone Company which is the owner of the Tri-State telephone systems of Fayette county, "sold" on December 2, it will be bought in by a committee representing the stockholders of the original Tri-State company that was organized before it sold out to the American Union Telephone Company.

The local telephone plant of the Tri-State system in Fayette county which is owned by the American Union Telephone Company will be sold under the Sheriff's hammer on December 2 for debts of \$40,000. This amount represents notes held by local banks on which judgment was entered.

In an interview last night, Attorney Harry L. Robinson said: When the Tri-State Telephone Company is sold by the Sheriff on December 2 we expect to buy it in and operate it as a new company. The purchase will mean that the local stockholders will get 45 per cent of the money that was invested. The American Union Telephone Company will get the other 45 per cent.

We propose to keep the control of the company in the hands of the local men. After we purchase the company, a committee of three trustees will be named one by the bondholders one by the creditors of the company and one by the American Union Telephone Company. The company will be in the hands of these three men until the debts of the company are all paid.

The bondholders of the concern will be taken care of. The company will be bought with the debts of the company and they will be paid. We can

easily make money enough to pay the interest on the bonds.

Mr. Robinson said that a meeting of the Fayette county stockholders in the Tri-State Telephone Company or they are now stockholders in the American Union Telephone Company will be called before the sale and a more complete course of action will be decided upon. Under the present scheme Mr. Robinson says that 45 per cent of the stock in the new company will be given to old stockholders and the other 45 will go to the American Union Telephone Company.

The Tri-State Telephone Company was organized about ten years ago. The company erected a plant and put in a large number of telephones throughout Fayette county. Later the company was purchased by the American Union Telephone Company, an independent concern that was competing with the Bell company. The stockholders did not receive money in payment for the stock, but received shares in the American Union Telephone Company in return or their stock in the Tri-State company.

During the past year the company has accrued debts amounting to large sums and judgment was entered in the Fayette county courts against the company. On an order of court the sheriff was ordered to advertise the company's plan, here to be sold at sheriff's sale for debts of \$40,000 on which judgment was entered.

It is said that there will be bidders for the Tri-State plant if the sheriff's sale on December 2 other than the original stockholders.

### COAL SUIT TRIAL

Under Way at Uniontown, Rocks Company the Defendant Special to The Courier

UNIONTOWN Nov. 1.—In the large court room this morning the big damage suit against the Rocks Coal & Coke Company was started. The plaintiffs are William M. Henderson and James S. Bates. They seek to recover approximately \$6,000 for coal which was mined by them from beneath their property in Brownsville township. It is stated that about 26,000 tons of coal were taken out and terrible damages are asked. The morning session was limited to a consideration of records and documents which have been introduced into the case.

The jury returned a verdict of \$136,875, against Constable Joseph J. Cross and of Connellsville D. W. Matheson of Fayette City as the plaintiff. It is alleged that Cross laid a trap upon a horse below his Matheson and sold it to recover a judge near against H. Savits. Savits was employed by Matheson at the time Matheson claimed he turned Cross and his horse belonged to him and not to Savits.

In the suit of Arthur Conkey against Joseph Morris which was tried yesterday the jury returned a verdict in favor of Morris. Morris claimed he acted only as Conkey's agent and did not buy the horse which was sold in Pittsburgh and never paid for because the firm he was in was bankrupt.

The jury failed to find the defendant in the suit of Nick Capone against the Johnson twins. It failed to recover \$9,000 damages as agent. The defendant claimed set off that were allowed.

A chart was granted the South Brownsville Italian Labor Association.

John J. Kirby today entered suit for divorce against his wife Emma Dr. They were married in Connellsville on December 10, 1892. His debt was alleged and John J. Kirby named as defendant.

In the small room this morning the suit of Frances P. Coker against Frank Cray was taken up. Mrs. Coker seeks to recover \$900 paid towards the purchase of a house in Mountaineer. The house was to be sold for \$1,000 but a dispute over possession arose. The Cokers turned and now want the money they paid received. Court adjourned January 9 to effect a settlement of the case.

### A LOYAL IRISHMAN

Wants to Fight Dual With Negro Who Claimed Irish Descent

YOUNGWOOD Nov. 15.—(Special) Because a negro was overheard to claim that he was born in Ireland he was openly challenged to a duel here last night.

The young son of the Ould Soil and the Young agreed to fight out the question on Main street, in their hurried efforts to settle it as they had to make known their views to the excited audience. Both their names could be learned as disappeared.

Dinner was to be given to the hour of the race battle but Third street residents breathlessly waited to make known their views to the excited audience. Both their names could be learned as disappeared.

### Bucks' Wkey Farm

Charles Cobet of Connellsville, Pa., has purchased the Wkey farm at Cherry Lane, suburban town up. The farm was owned by his daughters, Mrs. M. and Mrs. G. W. Wilcox of Shadyside. Mr. Cobet and his family will take up the residence there.

A home will be erected in Pittsburgh but events in the near future may force the family to leave the city. It was formed by Mrs. Marie Cobet.

### Work Started on Hospital

Work has started on the new hospital building.

## LIST OF COKE OVENS IN The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Nov. 11, 1911.

Total Ovens	In Blast	Name of Works	Name of Operators	P. O. Address
18	8	Acme	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
0	0	Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
250	10	Albion	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
350	10	Alexander	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
120	10	Bally	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
500	0	Benton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
500	10	Burnett	Wharton Furnace Co.	Uniontown
100	10	Burnett	McPleasant Coke Co.	Greenwood
200	10	Burnett	W. J. Rainey	Pittsburgh
150	10	Burnett	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
120	10	Burnett	Brush Run Coke Company	Pittsburgh
100	10	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Chester	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Clayton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Carroll	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Calibrook	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 4	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 5	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 6	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 7	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 8	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 9	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 10	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 11	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
100	10	Continental No. 12	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburgh
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## GREAT HISTORY OF COAL INDUSTRY.

Growth of Its Production Has  
Been Wonderful in  
United States.

### AGGREGATE NOW IN MILLIONS

The Output of Bituminous Alone in Pennsylvania in the Past 70 Years Has Been More Than Two Billion Tons—West Virginia Statistics.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—A wonderful history of the growth of coal production in the United States. In the past 70 years is shown by the coal chart just issued by the Geological Survey. In 1814 a total of 22 tons of anthracite coal, the first of any kind mined, was produced in Pennsylvania. In 1815 the percentage of increase was good, but still only 50 tons were taken out. By 1825 over 700,000 tons were mined in Pennsylvania and Virginia, the only two states producing. In 1830 the figures had reached 7,000,000 tons. In 1876 it was 53,200,000 tons. At one end of the century was 269,681 tons. In 1905 the production was 292,722,625 tons. In 1907, which it was supposed would remain the record year for some time to come, the production was 489,363,424 tons, but in 1910 the enormous total was reached of 501,596,375 short tons, a production larger by far than that of any other country in the world. So steady has been the increase in American coal production that most of the years have been record-breakers. The total production since 1814 has been approximately 8,242,251,295 tons.

The first record of bituminous coal production in Western Pennsylvania is of the year 1840, when a total of 464,826 tons were produced. Following is the production by tons for each successive year:

	Tons.
1841	475,000
1842	500,000
1843	650,000
1844	675,000
1845	700,000
1846	700,000
1847	500,000
1848	500,000
1849	750,000
1850	1,000,000
1851	1,200,000
1852	1,400,000
1853	1,500,000
1854	1,520,000
1855	1,750,000
1856	1,850,000
1857	2,000,000
1858	2,200,000
1859	2,400,000
1860	2,500,000
1861	2,600,000
1862	2,800,000
1863	3,000,000
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1877	8,500,000
1878	9,000,000
1879	9,500,000
1880	10,000,000
1881	11,000,000
1882	12,000,000
1883	13,000,000
1884	14,000,000
1885	15,000,000
1886	16,000,000
1887	16,425,165
1888	19,400,000
1889	20,000,000
1890	20,500,000
1891	22,000,000
1892	23,000,000
1893	24,000,000
1894	25,000,000
1895	26,000,000
1896	27,000,000
1897	28,000,000
1898	29,000,000
1899	30,000,000
1900	31,500,000
1901	32,750,727
1902	33,750,727
1903	36,174,080
1904	37,000,000
1905	42,758,490
1906	46,694,370
1907	44,070,524
1908	50,217,228
1909	45,557,435
1910	54,417,473
Total	1,251,175
Total production of bituminous coal in Pennsylvania from 1840 and including 1910, was 2,551,737,007 tons. The total anthracite was 2,160,344,670 tons.	

The first record of the total production in Ohio dates from 1868 and shows a total output of 551,189,306 for the period.

Figures for West Virginia date from 1863, in which year there was produced 444,548 tons with a total production of 589,616,621 tons.

### STRICKLER CONTRACTS FEVER

While Caring for Patients at the Fayette County Home.

According to a story from Uniontown Poor Director George M. Strickler, who is confined to his home at Vanderbilt with typhoid fever, contracted the disease while caring for inmates at the County Home. During the illness of the steward and his wife recently the three directors looked after the affairs at the County Home.

Mr. Strickler recently took treatment at a Pittsburgh hospital. He was reported to be resting easy today at noon.

Killed by State Fall. John Cashurie, aged 40 years, and married, was killed instantly this morning by a fall of slate in the mines at Brier Hill. Coroner H. J. Bell of Dawson was notified of the man's death. An inquest was not necessary.

Rev. McConkey Called. Rev. Walter P. McConkey of Avonmore, Pa., will be extended a call by the congregation of the Presbyterian church at Dunbar. Rev. J. L. Proudfit was moderator of the meeting.

### BUREAU OF MINES BULLETIN

Of Its Latest Publications on Very Interesting Subjects.

The Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C., announce the following new publications and reprints of others. These may be obtained free of cost on application, but only one copy will be given to each person, and in the case of the reprint's copies will not be given any who receive copies of the originals.

**BULLETIN.** Bulletin 14, "Review of Production Investigations," by R. H. French and D. C. Smith, 191 pp., 22 pp. \$1.00.

**MINES AND MINING.** "Shortcuts in mines; their presentation and treatment," by D. H. Clark, 1911.

**REPORTS.** Bulletin 26, "Report for coal miners," by E. J. Mills, 56 pp. Reprints of United States Geological Survey Bulletin 26.

Bulletin 27, "Tests of coal and lignites as fuel for blast-heating ovens," by D. T. Randall, 45 pp., 3 pp. Reprint of United States Geological Survey Bulletin 26.

Bulletin 28, "Utilization of coal by gasification," by W. F. Gross, 28 pp. Reprint of United States Geological Survey Bulletin 402.

### APPEAL IS TAKEN

In the Case of Sheriff Shields to the Supreme Court.

The case against Sheriff John E. Shields of Westmoreland county has been carried to a higher tribunal. An appeal to the Superior court was taken Monday, the papers for the appeal having been taken out in Pittsburgh and filed in the prothonotary's office, in Westmoreland county, late Monday evening. Counsel for Shields went to Philadelphia last night and there a petition will be presented to a Judge of the Superior court asking that the appeal act as a supersedeas and stay execution of the sentence until final disposition of the matter is made by the higher court.

When the supersedeas is allowed it restores Shields to office and gives him the rights and liberties which he enjoyed prior to his sentence of Saturday.

Since Saturday Coroner H. Albert McMurray has served as sheriff, it being the first time in the history of Westmoreland county that a coroner has been called upon to exercise the duties of sheriff. Shields is given the liberty of his residence, which is in one part of the jail building.

### COKE RATE CASES

Will Be Taken Up Again at Washington Next Monday.

The Pittsburgh coal and Connellsville coke rate cases will come up for hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission next Monday, November 20, and will be continued until all the testimony is in. The petitioners are assured that there will be no further postponements.

A Washington dispatch notes the presence there of Attorneys Wade H. Ellis and Louis D. Brandeis. John W. Bullock, the expert, who has formulated the case and gathered most of the evidence, is in constant consultation with the attorneys.

The Pittsburg Coal Company, which intervened in the rate case, is represented by its General Counsel, Cyrus E. Woods, and by General Manager George W. Schleiderberg and Chief Engineer E. J. Taylor.

### GOT BIG GOBBLER.

Two Alverton Nimrods Are Lucky at Sugar Loaf.

Charles Cunningham and Charles Parry of Alverton have the proud distinction of bagging the first wild turkey gobbler shot in the mountains near Ohiopyle this season. The turkey was also one of the largest shot in the mountains of either Somerset or Fayette counties in several seasons.

Cunningham and Parry have been stopping at the home of Harvey Morrison on Sugar Loaf Mountain, tramping up Beaver creek valley early one morning last week the two hunters spied a big gobbler greedily feeding in a field nearby. Cunningham got the shot that brought the big fellow down. With a lot of other game the men got in that vicinity they returned to their homes at Alverton on Saturday.

### I. W. BOLLINGER RESIGNS.

At a meeting of the Keystone Coke Works, Inc., held on Monday at the company's offices J. W. Bollinger resigned as President and accepted a position as sales manager. It is understood that Albert Gaddis will be elected President. For the present, however, T. S. Lackey, Vice President, will act as President.

### No Quorum Present.

Owing to the absence of a quorum there was no meeting of the Lower Tyrone township school board on last Saturday afternoon. The trustees were paid their salary but no other business was transacted. A special meeting of the Board will be held next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hultown school.

### Weathers Hamper Contractors.

The bad weather has interfered with the contractors doing the work at the Point of Rocks for the West Penn. Because of the intense cold it was impossible yesterday to keep up the pace.

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### LIST OF COKE OVENS IN The Lower Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, Nov. 11, 1911.

Source: Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C.

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THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 16, 1911

**EMBRYONIC CITIES  
AND INFANT BOROUGHS.**

It has been discovered that the new borough of South Connellsburg may not, under the Act of June 19, 1911, organize its borough government until the first Monday in January 1912, although its School Board will organize under the School Code the first Monday in December 1911. In this connection The News imparts the following interesting information:

Under the Act of June 19, Connellsburg Council will be included among the number that will reorganize or remain as it is proposed by the Republican organization. It has not been made known. There is the possibility that James B. Millard will be retained in the presidential chair, a seat he is not over-anxious to hold. It is rumored another attempt will be made to unseat Solicitor Kirk. Renner is the only independent Democrat elected. S. Ray Shultz tender his resignation. The election in January will be somewhat more interesting than former ones for the reason that the officers then elected will hold their offices for two years until the third-class city government goes into effect in December 1912.

The News forgets that Connellsburg has been declared by the highest legal tribunal in Pennsylvania to be an embryonic City temporarily under borough government by the accident of the law. The status of the Embryonic City is plainly defined in the Act of June 21, 1911, approved two days after the act above quoted. It declares that "the charters of said towns and boroughs," that is, boroughs which have voted to become cities of the third class and have received their city charters, "shall continue in full force and operation, and ALL OFFICERS UNDER THE SAME SHALL HOLD THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICES UNTIL THE FIRST MONDAY OF DECEMBER, IN THE FIRST ODD-NUMBERED YEAR NEXT SUCCEEDING THE ISSUING OF THIS LETTER-PATENT," WHICH YEAR THE COURTS HAVE DECIDED IS 1912.

There is no question concerning the position of South Connellsburg. It is a new borough which has just elected its officers. The law simply appoints a new time for the organization of its government. Connellsburg is a different class. It is an Embryonic City. It is a city de jure and a borough de facto. It is in a state of chrysalis. The law says it shall remain in stasis until it finally emerges from its caterpillarian borough state into the brilliant butterfly form of a full fledged third class city. In the meantime, the law commands the "ALL" the borough officers shall HOLD THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICES.

The President of the Town Council, the Borough Treasurer and the Borough Solicitors, and every officer elected or appointed for a given term, HAS THAT TERM EXTENDED BY THE OPERATION OF THIS LAW UNTIL THE FIRST MONDAY OF DECEMBER, 1912 BUT NOT LONGER.

The Town Council of the Embryonic City of Connellsburg is already organized. It is not necessary for it to organize again. It is not in the position of a borough which has elected new members of Town Council to take the places of others whose terms have expired, not of new boroughs like South Connellsburg, whose Town Councils have not been organized at all.

Furthermore, it is evident that the Town Council of the Embryonic City of Connellsburg has no right to reorganize under the Act of June 19, 1911, and elect the several officers mentioned above TO SERVE UNTIL THE FIRST MONDAY OF JANUARY, 1912, because the other and later enactment governing boroughs in our present position provides that THE THIRD CLASS CITY OFFICERS ELECTED IN NOVEMBER, 1911, SHALL ENTER UPON THEIR RESPECTIVE TERMS OF OFFICE ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF DECEMBER OF THAT YEAR.

It seems plain that the Embryonic City of Connellsburg is not governed at this particular time by the same law that governs the infant Borough of South Connellsburg.

**THE B. & O.  
SAFETY MOVEMENT**

The Baltimore & Ohio management has inaugurated a commendable movement looking toward the safeguarding of employees and the public. It is proposed to have a systematic supervision of the tracks, shops and equipment of the railroad, so that any defects may be brought to light and remedied.

There is reason to think that many recent wrecks on railroad lines generally have been due to indifferent track conditions. Recently four disastrous wrecks happened within a few weeks were traced to spreading rails. While it is possible for rails to spread on a well maintained track, it is always a fair inference that the track is not up to standard, and there is a suspicion that some railroads have economized in the wrong place.

We will hope that the Baltimore & Ohio safety movement will result in safe tracks as well as safe shops and equipment. Given a first class track, properly and rapidly maintained, and railroad wrecks will be reduced to a minimum.

**Abe Martin**

Miss Lillian Lippineau ran her peck-a-boos waist three times yesterday and got a selection from Ira Lubinska.

Ira Lubinska gives with a smile crackers at the New Palace Hotel

**WINTER WEATHER  
AND THE GAS SUPPLY**

The year 1911 has kept up its reputation for treacherous weather by rushing from balmy spring to bitter winter within twenty-four hours. Such sudden changes are very trying to the health of children and delicate persons, and not even the older and hardier ones escape altogether all the time.

To add to the discomfort of the occasion the natural gas supply was short. The gas company should make an earnest effort to protect its customers from such serious annoyances if not actual menace. The company is under a moral, and we believe a legal obligation, to the consuming public when it collects thirty cents gross per thousand feet for its service to furnish us the water company obliges itself to do concerning its water supply, a constant and sufficient supply, accidents and causes beyond its control excepted.

We were, however, due to have wintry weather this, and perhaps we cannot complain now that it has come but most people would prefer that Old Winter come in a dignified and proper manner befitting his reputed age and dignity, and not butt in like an excited and overeager bull who sees a red rag in the distance.

In view of the acknowledged fact that it is even the Weather Works can

regulate the weather, there's no use

repeating. We will have to bear it and we might as well grin while doing so in the meantime, we trust the gas man will not again permit us to suffer while we groan.

**ANTHRACITE AND  
COKE REGION WAGES**

The anthracite miners threaten to strike, April 1 if their wages are not increased 5 per cent. This seems like a stiff increase. Anthracite has been going up or freight rates going down, or an election coming on. The anthracite operators seem to be in an excited and overeager bull who sees a red rag in the distance.

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**THE SORRY PLIGHT  
OF SHERIFF SHIELDS**

An officer of the law should never forget that it is his duty to admit to the law, not to make it.

There was at Washington once upon a time a rising politician who held down the position of doorkeeper.

He was so impressed with his importance that he wrote home to a friend that he "was a bigger man than old Grant." But he wasn't. He was just

Sheriff Shields of Westmoreland

county imagined that he was a bigger

man than the law. Indeed, in a titillation he was the focal point of the

just, unimpaired and unrestrained by any man of the legislature but him. But he wished he had

more influence and威信.

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But the question now arises when

the higher courts whence an ap-

peal has been taken confirms the judg-

ment and sentence of the court below

and Sibley is incarcerated in pris-

on for debt.

The sportsmen have commenced

very recently the work of shooting

up the game birds. In this

country the hunting season is

now open and the sportsmen are

out in full force.

All CANDIDATES  
MUST FILE STATEMENTS.

If any defeated candidate at the re-

cent election in agents he is not re-

quired by law to file a detailed sworn

statement of his election expenses.

He is also under a serious mis-

apprehension, and equally ignorant of

the law, that he is the candidate elected or defeated, whose expenses did not exceed \$50.

The Corrupt Practices Act, Section 5 says that every candidate shall, within 30 days after the election of the amount of his expenses exceed \$50, file a full, true and detailed ac-

count verified by affidavit, setting forth each and every sum of money contributed, received or disbursed by him for election expenses, including contribution, receipt and disbursement the name of the person from whom received or paid and the object or purpose for which the same was disbursed?

The framers of this law seemed to

have been in politics at some time or

other themselves and to have realized

that some candidates come out of poli-

tical campaigns almost wholly bank-

rupt. Such account shall also set forth the unpaid debts and obliga-

tions of any such candidate for elec-

tions, and to whom owing and

amount of each, and to whom owing.

It is also provided that if the aggrieved

receipts or disbursements

shall not exceed \$50, the candidate

shall within 30 days after the election,

certify that fact under oath.

The last day for filing statements

is December 6. Candidates had better

get busy on their accounts.

There must have been some

difficulty in getting the

information required by the law.

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## BREATH OF WINTER CHILLS THE REGION.

**Mercury Dropped 50 Degrees Over Sunday and Snow Falls.**

### COLDEST DAY OF YEAR HERE

Monday Morning Temperature Was Down to 10 Degrees in the Early Hours—Wind Blew a Gale Through out the Night.

Old Boreas held the coke region in his grasp Sunday and Monday. The most sudden change in temperature that has been known for years occurred yesterday when, after starting out in a mild and bairny manner, the weather switched and by night a fierce, wintry storm was in full tilt. Early on Sunday morning there was every promise of a splendid day. The promise failed to make good for by 10 o'clock it was drizzling, an hour later it was a driving rain and by noon there were traces of snow. During the afternoon the rain ceased altogether but the wind swept before it a heavy snow storm, and all the time the mercury was falling lower and lower. By night the wind continued but it had stopped snowing. The pavements were covered with ice and sleet in spots and walking was difficult and dangerous. Saturday night the West Penn thermometer registered 64 degrees. Monday morning at 8 o'clock it stood at 15, but around daybreak, it was down to an even 10 points above zero.

The chill was intensified by the mountain storm that raged throughout the night. The wind howled about the eaves and swept the snow in swirls, that which had not frozen fast to the surface. On Monday it was cold and clear, with a wind that cut one through chance the wind subsided and the cold was modified to some extent. Those who had to cross the Youghiogheny bridges afoot got the full sweep of the wind as it whirled down the river, between the hills. Several falls occurred on the bridge, where the footing was insecure.

The cold came too quickly for ice to form in the river although traces of it were noticeable along the banks of the mountain streams. The hard rain of Sunday kept the river in the vicinity of the three foot stage. If the cold snap continues it will result in the river falling more rapidly than for weeks past.

The sudden change of weather caused no little suffering. Saturday seemed like Indian Summer, for there was warmth in the air more like early spring than late fall. Then on Sunday came the icy breath of winter, that gives no indication of letting up for the present, at least.

### BREWERY MERGER

Including Nine Plants in Fayette Reported Completed.

According to the Pittsburgh Dispatch the merger of the brewery interests in Fayette county was consummated yesterday. Eight of the nine breweries in this county, the Dispatch says, are consolidated. The plants taken over are: By purchase from the Pittsburgh Brewing Company their breweries at Connellsville and Uniontown, the Yough Brewing Company at Connellsville, the Fayette Brewing Company at Uniontown, the Labor plant at the same place, the Republic Brewing Company at Republic, the Masontown plant, the Brownsville Brewing Company and Brownsville Ice Companies at Brownsville. The ninth brewery is the Johnsonburg plant at New Salem which will be retained, it is said, by R. A. Whiteside, the broker, who has been promoting the merger for three years.

The amount involved is \$7,500,000, provided for by a bond issue for one-third that total; and common and preferred stock aggregating \$2,500,000 each. George Adel, president of the Brownsburg company, is president of the consolidation, but other officers and the directorate have not been chosen. The sole purpose stated is to effect economy and to cut the number of operative plants to six. For five years the annual average sales have been 175,000 barrels while the annual production has averaged 250,000 barrels. Beer, however, in Fayette county brings \$8.80 a barrel and against \$6.90 in Pittsburgh. A. M. Nepper is general counsel for the new company.

Persons interested in the merger of the Fayette county breweries in Connellsville up to noon today had received no confirmation of the story published in Pittsburgh this morning. However, they state that they have been looking for an early consummation of the merger.

### Bradley in Hospital.

B. & O. Engineer William Bradley was taken to Pittsburgh on Wednesday and removed to St. Joseph's hospital for an operation. He was accompanied by Dr. J. F. Kerr. Mr. Bradley has already undergone two operations. The third one will be delayed until he recovers from the effects of the trip.

### Get Brick Contract.

Kelly & Jarrett have been awarded the contract for the brickwork of the new dye works being erected by the Connellsville Steam Laundry Company. They will start work this afternoon.

### TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

Has All Been Arranged For This Month.  
SOMERSET, Nov. 14.—County Superintendent of Schools Daniel W. Sebert today announced the program for the fifty-fourth annual sessions of the Somerset County Teachers' Institute, which will be held in the Somerset opera house, commencing on Monday afternoon, November 27, at 1 o'clock, and closing on Friday morning, December 1, at 11:30 o'clock.

This will be the first institute at which teachers will receive extra compensation, the new School Code providing remuneration at the rate of \$3 per day. Heretofore, teachers received only their regular salaries for institute week, the same as all other weeks of their respective school terms. The code also provides that any teacher absenting himself without a sufficient reason will be obliged to pay a forfeit of \$3 per day. It is likely that no forfeits will be levied as Somerset county teachers have always shown a splendid attendance even when there was no extra salary, the proceedings of the institutes offering apparent advantages to all instructors present from the various districts that the sessions of the annual gathering have always been looked forward to as a rare treat by the teaching fraternity.

Prof. Sebert is president of the institute association and all the supervising principals of the county are vice presidents. Following are the other officers: Secretaries, William G. Miller, and E. G. Rhodes; enrolling Clerk, M. R. Schrock; Time Clerks, Charles E. Koontz, W. L. Shantz and Lewis S. Knoper. Following are the committees for the fifty-fourth institute: Professional Literature, B. T. Frazeer, Ernest Korb, J. M. Custer, P. P. Williamson and Earle McClintock; Resolutions, S. M. Smyser, Harry A. Spelcher, W. T. Lantz, Charles C. Ringer and M. T. Miller; Necrology, F. W. Shaffer, Harvey Emert and N. Following is the detailed program for the institute:

**Mosher, December 27.**

Afternoon Session—1:30, opening service, the Rev. L. Hess Wagner, pastor of the Somers' Lutheran church; 1:40, address of welcome, Attorney Aaron C. Holbert; response, Prof. A. M. Benn, of Johnstown; 2:15, music, Robert J. McDonald, of Pittsburgh, who will be the musical director of the institute; 2:20, instruction, "The World's Supreme Test," Dr. John Carlson of Lima, O.; 3:00, vocal solo, Miss Jean Neff, of Indiana, Pa.; 3:05, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 3:20, instruction, "How Old Can You Be?" Dr. T. S. Lowden, of Columbus, O.

Evening session, 8:00, vocal solo, Miss Jean Neff; lecture, selected, Alton Packard.

**Tuesday, November 28.**

Forenoon Session—9:00, devotional exercises, the Rev. V. C. Zeller, pastor of the United Evangelical Church; 9:10, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 9:30, instruction, "The State Course of Study," Prof. W. S. Hertzog, of Harrisburg, State High School Inspector; 10:30, vocal solo, Miss Jean Neff; 10:40, instruction, "The Art of Gardening and Household Attention," Dr. T. S. Lowden; 11:00, instruction, "The St. John of American Song," Prof. John Davidson; 11:20, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 11:40, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 12:00, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 12:20, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 12:40, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 13:00, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 13:20, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 13:40, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 14:00, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 14:20, music drill, Prof. Robert J. McDonald; 14:40, music drill, Prof. Robert J. 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## ALREADY PLANNING FOR THE NEW BOARD.

**Seven School Directors Be-  
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### MUCH INTEREST IS SHOWN

**Just How the Members Will Line Up  
is Causing Considerable Speculation**  
F. E. Younkin Suggested for the  
Presidency.

Just how the new School Board will organize is causing considerable speculation. Already plans are being laid by some of those interested to pick the candidates for the three important offices, those of President, Secretary and Treasurer. For the first time in years all the present officers of the board will retire at the same time. There will be no holdovers and the officers must be selected from those who are not now holding office. A peculiar situation also exists in that the only one member of the new board has served a full term, or longer. Charles H. Balsley of the West Side was a member of the old New Haven School Board for several terms and came into the Connellsburg board at the time of the consolidation. The remaining four Directors who were reelected J. R. Davidson, C. W. Hays, A. W. Bishop and W. W. Smith, have served but the part of a term. Attorney F. E. Younkin and Lloyd Shaw are the new members who have had no experience on the board.

Balsley has been mentioned for President. Besides being a School Director of several terms experience, Mr. Balsley has served as its Secretary and Treasurer at various times.

It is understood that the name of Attorney F. E. Younkin has been advanced as a candidate for the Presidency. Mr. Younkin is not on the board but was for several years a teacher in the public schools here at tended frequent board meetings, and is now a practising attorney.

A successor to Secretary Bert J. Thomas must be selected. The records of the board are in good shape and the new Secretary will be able to take the records from the day he assumes office. Former Secretaries have sometimes found it necessary to do tasks that have been neglected by their predecessor, but it can be stated in favor of Bert Thomas that he has kept a comprehensive set of books.

C. W. Hays is being prominently mentioned for the Secretaryship. He will probably be elected to that position just who will be chosen. Treasurer depends upon the way the members are aligned on organization night. It is understood the Young National Bank will be the depository for the new School Board and the Treasurer will probably be a member favorable to that institution. Indications at this time are that the new School Board will not only organize but will work in greater harmony than any School Board of recent memory.

### WILLIAM UMBEL DEAD.

**He Was a Well Known Citizen of Wharton Township**

William Umbel of near Markleysburg died on November 4 at the age of 69 years, 6 months and 12 days. He leaves his widow, three daughters and one son, with number of grandchildren. He was a kind father, a loving husband, a good citizen and was strictly honest and good neighbor and considered by all an exemplar Christian.

About 40 years ago he became a member of what was then known as the Shoemaker church. A few years later he connected himself with the Church of God and was a charter member of the Church of God at Sand Spring Md. He was a consistent and earnest worker until his health became such that he could not take an active part in the work of the church. He was buried at Sand Spring November 8th. The funeral was largely attended which showed the esteem in which he was held by the people at large. Rev. J. C. Cunningham conducted the services.

### FIRE IN DARK

**And Kills a Young Wildcat on the Mountain Side**

**OHIOPOLE Nov 10.—**—Firing in the dark with only a noise to guide his aim Ralph Stalder, second track operator at HK tower, killed a young wild cat a few nights ago. Stalder had been bothered by hearing a peculiar noise several times on the hill above the tower. On the night in question he took a gun to work with him.

Upon hearing the noise Stalder went outside and fired in the direction from which the sound came. He then returned to the tower. By the time he was relieved at 1 A. M. the moon was up.

He had not heard the noise since hearing the shot and an investigation disclosed that he had killed the animal.

### Had Tumor Removed

Carmen Ditroni of Edenton had a small tumor removed from his back at the Cottage State Hospital. Ditroni is an Italian. He is 8 years old.

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## VOTE CAST IN TYRONE TOWNSHIP IN DISTRICTS NUMBERS ONE AND TWO.

**OWENSDALE Nov 11.—**—The following is the result of the election in Upper Tyrone township in precincts Nos 1 and 2 showing an unusual heavy balloting and a decided shakeup in some of the parties together with a few surprises.

President No. 1 For Sheriff Kiefer	Supervisors Bixler R. 4 <sup>th</sup> McCarraugh D 1 <sup>st</sup> Constable Gerko
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### THE ENDEAVORERS

**Of the Methodist Protestant Church  
Elect Their Officers**

At the monthly business meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Methodist Protestant church held Friday night at the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Cairns on East Fayette street the nominating committee submitted its report which was accepted by the society. The new officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President Emery Penn Vice President Leigh C. Douglas Recording Secretary, Mrs. S. U. Morris Corresponding Secretary, Miss Vergie Herbert Treasurer Miss Anna Brooks Organist Miss Nelle Penn

The nominating committee was composed of Mrs. S. S. Marsella, L. C. Douglass, Miss Mary Parkhill and Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Cairns and Mrs. B. C. Fur.

The chairman of the different committees are as follows: Lookout Committee Miss Olive Hetzel, Visionary Mrs. S. S. Marsella, Prayer Meeting Miss Beatrice Patterson, Flower Committee Miss Jessie Penn Temperance, A. L. Seaman, Miss Miss Blanche Goodwin, Press Committee S. U. Morris.

It was requested of all members of the society who possibly could attend the district rally to be held in Uniontown November 26.

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## OFFICIAL COUNT FOR SCOTTDALE.

**Figures of the Borough Re-turning Board on School Directors, Etc.**

### SOME CONTESTS WERE CLOSE

**Republicans Won There, But Suffered Losses on the County Offices—in East Huntingdon Township Republicans Will Have School Board.**

**SCOTTDALE, Nov. 9.—**Election day was a model one from the weather standpoint and brought out a heavy vote, over 100 above that of last fall. There was plenty of campaign work going on and the results of the day are shown by the tabulated report.

In the Borough the Republicans had a pretty clean sweep, but on county offices their Democratic opponents made several gains, the most notable being Cramer leading Boyd by 30 votes, the gain being made in the First and Fourth wards, Boyd having carried the First and Second. Register D. A. Miller, Republican, was the high man in the county offices with 553 votes, while in the Borough N. G. Peterson for Justice was the high man with 761 votes. G. W. Miller his Socialist opponent having 108 votes. Earl Riley, Republican-Democratic, was elected High Constable by 651 votes.

The following is the official count as consolidated by the Return Judges who met at Greensburg and consolidated these returns for the Clerk of Courts yesterday. The votes in the wards and the totals were as follows, the elected being indicated by a \*

year term by 221 votes. For the two year term O. M. Jarrett, Independent, defeated J. M. Berger, Republican, by a vote of 157 to 64. In the Third Ward Wesley H. Hines, Republican, defeated E. J. Buttermore, Democrat, by a vote of 127 to 108. In the Fourth Ward Roy Baker, Republican-Democrat, won over Daniel Stull, Socialist, 129 to 5.

For ward constables, P. J. O'Donnell, Democrat, was elected in the First Ward without opposition, with 210 votes, while A. L. Porter, Republican, was re-elected Judge by 251 votes, and E. Ralph Louis, Republican, and R. E. Griffith, Inspectors, were re-elected by votes of 208 and 63 respectively.

In the Second Ward William Kennell, Republican, was elected Constable by 196 votes, R. L. Sherman, Republican-Democrat Judge, by 216 votes, and J. S. Cook, Republican, and George O'Roark Democrat, Inspectors, by votes of 142 and 63.

In the Third Ward A. B. Pickard, Republican, was re-elected Judge by 154 votes to Alex Yahrer, Democrat, 80, while D. F. Pickard, Republican, and George W. Porter, Democrat, were elected Inspectors by 137 and 95 respectively.

In the Fourth Ward C. M. Haines, Democrat, was re-elected Constable by a vote of 89, Isaac Sherwood, Republican, receiving 50; J. A. Grumbach, Republican-Democrat, was re-elected Judge by 139 votes, and E. A. Prentiss, Republican, and Robert Ames, were elected Inspectors.

There was a scrap on in East Huntingdon township, the Republicans getting the School Directors. H. P. Kelly, R., for Auditor lost to George Lowe, D., by the narrow margin of 8 votes, Kelly having 402 and Lowe, 411.

L. F. Stoner, R., lost to M. P. Suter, D., for Supervisor, 354 to 488, a majority of 104. W. J. Randolph, D., defeated J. M. Belsel, R., for Constable by a vote of 454 to 392.

The total vote on School Directors for six years was: Fred DePrest, R., 459; Dr. C. H. Pole, R., 341; Ed Rose, R., 474; W. L. Hough, D., 323; John Leighty, D., 553 and Joseph Reed, D., 255. DePrest, Rose and Leighty were elected.

## RESULT IS DIVIDED IN WESTMORELAND.

**Judge Steele and Berkey Boyd Are Defeated by the Democrats.**

### JOHN E. SHIELDS EASY WINNER

**W. Dick Reamer High Man for County Commissioner—Cramer Furnished the Surprise of the Election in the Star of the West.**

**GREENSBURG, Nov. 9.—**Latest reports show that the election of Tuesday has gone as indicated by the early returns. The additional districts, which came in Wednesday, only served to increase the majorities of those who were already in the lead. At no time, Wednesday, was any office in doubt. Those elected are:

Bon Steele, Republican, Sheriff.

James M. Gramer, Democrat, County Treasurer.

Dr. L. C. Thomas, Republican, Recorder of Deeds.

John S. Sell, Republican, County Controller.

W. Dick Reamer and John E. Shields, Republicans and George Breckbill, Democrat, County Commissioners.

Dr. Albert McMurray, Republican, Coroner.

Burgess Ross, Republican, County Surveyor.

The surprising strength shown by G. D. Copeland for Judge of the Orphans' Court, and James M. Cramer, for Treasurer, was one of the chief topics of conversation throughout the county, Wednesday. Incomplete returns from 168 districts give Copeland 11,173 and Steel, 10,151, giving Copeland a lead of 1,024. It is claimed, however, that Copeland's majority will not go above 500.

With totals received from 173 districts in the Treasurer fight Cramer has a lead of 552 over Boyd. His unofficial vote is 11,134 and Boyd's 10,552.

The returns on the fight for Commissioner show that W. Dick Reamer is big man, with J. E. Shields second. Shields' strength was surprising in view of the terrific fight waged against him.

In 175 districts complete, Reamer has 10,372, Shields 9,138, Breckbill 8,771 and Hamel 7,828. This gives Reamer 1,601 over Breckbill and 2,554 over Hamel. The same districts give Shields a lead of 365 over Breckbill and 1,313 over Hamel. The nine districts not included in the count are small and cannot make any material change.

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### COMMITTEES TO BE APPOINTED

On Each Division to Cooperate With  
General Committee Whose Head-  
quarters Will Be in Baltimore.  
Work Was Begun on November 1st.

With a view to promoting safety of travel and protecting its employees from personal injury in the discharge of duty, the Baltimore & Ohio railroad has appointed a safety committee to pursue the matter vigorously through a campaign which is to extend to all branches of the service and over every mile of track operated in the system. The Safety Committee, which begins work November 1st with General Manager Thompson chairman ex-officio, is composed of general officers of the road, the roster including A. Hunter Boyd, Jr., Assistant General Attorney, chairman; J. W. Coon, Assistant to General Manager, Vice-Chairman; Earl Stinson, Chief Engineer Maintenance of Way, C. W. Eggen, General Claim Agent; Dr. S. B. Bond, Chief Medical Examiner, and W. L. Robinson, Shop Expert of the Mechanical Department. Divisional Safety Committees have also been appointed as auxiliaries of the Central Committee, headed by Division Superintendents as Chairmen and composed of division officials, including train master, division engineer, division claim agent, agents of important freight terminals, medical examiner, secretaries of the railroad's Young Men's Christian Association; an employee from each shop to represent the shopmen, engineer to represent the enginemen, conductor to represent the trainmen, and yardmaster to represent the yard employees.

The Central Safety Committee will meet on Monday following the first of each month, while the Divisional Safety Committees will convene the middle of the month. The method of procedure in the propagation of the safety methods by the Baltimore & Ohio is for the Divisional Committee, whose membership embraces officials and employees thoroughly familiar with local conditions, to lay before the Central Committee such matters as will tend to bring about improvements in the safety and efficiency of operation and protection to employees and the public. The meetings of the Divisional Committees will take place at various points on the road, subject to the call of the chairman.

In launching the safety movement the chairmanship of the auxiliary committees was vested in the Superintendents for a period of six months, the plan providing for a progression to the office so that each member may serve as chairman. This same organization is carried out in the committee of general officers, with the exception of the Vice-Chairmanship which is permanent.

Employees while serving on the Safety Committee or making investigations are exempt from other duties so that their time may be devoted to a study of the work of the committees. While so engaged the men are allowed full pay by the company together with such expenses as may be incurred.

The organization of this safety work which has been in course of perfection for several months, the employees are manifesting unusual interest. The officers comprising the Central Committee will visit the men on the various divisions and personally explain to them the details of the work and what it is hoped will be accomplished by putting it in practice.

Several months ago the Baltimore & Ohio management adopted a number of precautionary measures in its locomotive and repair shops for the protection of its workmen, equipping machinery with guard rails and covers for exposed parts, which minimized the possibility of employees coming in contact with it, and the latest steps for safety is an effort to extend this to all branches of the service.

General Manager Thompson in issuing the circular outlining the work of the Safety Committee, says:

"We desire all of our employees to act as a committee of one and to see that everything possible is done to prevent accidents and the suggestions of the men should be solicited through the Divisional Safety Committees. It is my personal desire that all the division officers shall take an interest in this question of safety. Any suggestion that may occur to any employee which he feels will advance this work will be carefully considered."

### LATE SNAKES.

Ohio pole Reports the Killing There  
of a Copperhead.

Although late in the season for snake stories, Ohio pole sends one down that is vouched for as true and correct. It was on Wednesday that William Glotfelty, who runs the bowling alley in the Ferncliff park, engaged in battle with a copperhead.

Glotfelty won the fight and when the dead snake was stretched out it found to measure 5½ feet in length. The copperhead was seen among the rocks along the boardwalk in the park and Glotfelty nailed it with a stone.

## Roy Hyndman, Son of E. K. Hyndman, Pays a Brief Visit to Connellsville.

The old Pittsburg & Connellsville railroad veterans were surprised and much pleased on Friday afternoon to meet Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hyndman of Frederick, Md. Mr. Hyndman is the only son of the late Edward K. Hyndman, who came to Connellsville in 1872 to take the position of General Superintendent of the Pittsburg & Connellsville railroad. He made his headquarters here and resided among us for eight years, during which time he married Miss Guelma A. Brown of Philadelphia.

The Pittsburg & Connellsville railroad was originally built between Pittsburg and Connellsville, and was later extended from Connellsville to Cumberland, being completed about 1871. It subsequently came under the control of the Baltimore & Ohio, and is now a part of its system. Mr. Hyndman was an active businessman. He early foresaw the possibilities of the Connellsville coke region and bought \$6,000 acres of coal in Dunbar township, organized a company which was financed by the Leisenringers of Carbon county, his old home. The company was known as the Connells-

ville Coke & Iron Company. The property was developed and operated for a number of years and finally passed into the hands of the H. C. Frick Coke Company. The three Leisenring coke plants were its oven capacity. Mr. Hyndman finally resigned his position here and accepted the position of General Manager of the Pittsburg & Western, then just completed and now a portion of the B. & O. system. He removed to Pittsburgh and died there a few years after.

His widow removed to Philadelphia, her old home, and subsequently took the benefit of her son's health tool up her residence in Frederick, Md., where she still resides. There Roy Hyndman regained his health and won a wife. He is the picture of his father, and it was amusing to note how readily the old railroad man recognized him by the striking resemblance. He and his wife enjoyed themselves immensely meeting the old friends of his father. They left last night for Washington, where they will remain over Sunday with friends before returning to their home in Frederick.

### LAST SPAN PLACED

On Bridge of Western Maryland Rail-  
road Near Confluence.

The McChlinc-Marshall Construction Company put down the last of the span of the bridge crossing the Youghiogheny river, the C. & O. and the Henry Clay township road at Confluence, the middle of last week and on Sunday morning the bridge was sufficiently advanced to allow the locomotive and work train to pass over. The grading being completed, over 200 men were immediately put to work laying track west of the bridge towards Ohiopyle.

On the first day the gang had reached the Jedi Show farm over a half mile from Confluence and now are working towards Ohiopyle at the rate of a mile of track every day. There are now six different gangs of track layers each having from 30 to 50 men and a separate foreman. From the east end of the section where the track laying is completed to the location where the track layers are now at work would be about 5½ miles and on this line the tracks are in the very best condition, there being first pulverized slag laid down and over this will be stone ballast. The ballasting of all the cuts and level ground will be crushed stone, while on the fills slag will be more extensively used.

The headquarters from which the track laying is done is at the transfer near Confluence where the work train leaves with men and supplies from both east and west. The track layers have the work completed over the whole of the D&L contract extending near Fort Hill. East of this Webb & Bartland are grading so that track laying is on a standstill on this part.

### JACKY RYAN DEAD.

Was Well Known Employee on the  
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

John Ryan, aged about 60 years, died suddenly of heart disease Thursday evening at 9:30 o'clock at his home on High street, Meyersdale. "Jacky," as he was most familiarly known by his large circle of friends, had for years been in the employ of the B. & O. railway at Meyersdale, serving in several capacities at different times. At the time of his death he had charge of the pump which supplied water to the tank in the Salisbury Junction yard. It also was his duty at times to call the railway crews to work and it was thus that he became familiar and so well known to the railway men in that section.

About 18 years ago he was united in marriage to Mayme Coulehan, who survives him. Deceased was a member of SS. Philip and James Catholic church, and funeral services will be held on Monday.

One of the men ran to the ice house and telephoned the alarm of fire from the Baltimore & Ohio yards. The railroad firemen went to the scene but were unable to check the flames, which had gained headway and were being fanned by the stiff morning wind. The Connellsville firemen were summoned and Chief Mitchell turned on an alarm. The hose wagon was taken to water street but the railroad officials found it would be useless for the city firemen to visit the scene of the blaze. No water was available and it would have saved nothing had it been.

Efforts to trace the missing party of 17 failed. The men did not leave town over the Baltimore & Ohio railroad and it is supposed they migrated elsewhere to secure employment.

Reception and Ingathering.

The annual reception and ingathering of the Trinity Reformed Church will be held in the church Thursday evening, November 23.

## Meyersdale Negro Assails Girl; Had Narrow Escape From Lynching.

MEYERSDALE, Pa., Nov. 11.—

Isaac Dorman, colored, was arrested Thursday night by Corporal Dressler of the State Constabulary, and local

Policemen Hare and Cramer, charged with raping little nine-year-old Edith Webb. After the crime became known and was reported to the police, bloodhounds that had been brought here from Fairmont, W. Va., last evening on No. 49 to track robbers who had broken into a store, were put on the trail and led the officers to places that Dorman had been during the evening. Dorman was arrested and while he strongly denied his guilt, he was identified by the lit-

## TO FINISH GRADING DURING THIS MONTH

Chief Engineer Pratt Pleased  
With Progress on New  
Railroad.

### TROUBLE OVER AT SAND PATCH

Workmen Are Through the Quicksand  
and the Air Compressors Were  
Taken on Sunday—May Run Trains  
First of the Year.

Chief Engineer H. R. Pratt of the Western Maryland railroad left for Baltimore on Saturday after having spent a week along the connecting link that is being built between Cumberland and Connellsville. Before boarding No. 6 at the Baltimore & Ohio depot Mr. Pratt outlined to a reporter of The Courier just how the work is progressing along the line.

"I am more than pleased with the progress that is being made," he said. "This month should see practically all the grading completed from Cumberland to Connellsville. We are already laying rails this side of Confluence. By the first of the year the road should be ready for the operation of trains."

"Work on the Keystone tunnel is progressing rapidly. The men are through the quicksand and have the soft spots concreted. On Sunday the air compressors were taken off and unless something unforeseen develops the progress from now on will be rapid. The tunnel should be completed before January 1."

Mr. Pratt keeps in close touch with this section of the country and is a constant reader of The Courier. He thinks it is one of the best newspapers of its size published.

"I gain great enjoyment from reading The Courier," he said. "The statistics that are compiled concerning the coke trade are wonderful. There is no question but The Courier is an authority concerning the coke trade." Mr. Pratt was no less complimentary in his comments regarding the daily edition of The Courier, which reaches him regularly.

### A LAD KILLED

Accidentally While Out Hunting  
Rabbits on Friday.

William Ritson, a Grindstone boy, was killed on last Friday afternoon when a shot gun he was carrying was accidentally discharged, the load striking him in the neck. The boy died within a few minutes. With him at the time of the accident were Fred Pizzano and Wilbur Matthews. The three boys were hunting rabbits on the Shipley farm near Grindstone. Young Ritson, with the consent of his parents, had borrowed the shot gun and got an afternoon off yesterday. While crossing a fence the gun was discharged, the gun being held in such a manner that the muzzle pointed at young Ritson's neck.

Johnston Noble, George and Johnathan Carter, who were working nearby, took the dead boy to the home of his parents a mile away in a buggy. Ritson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Ritson. The funeral will be held on Monday.

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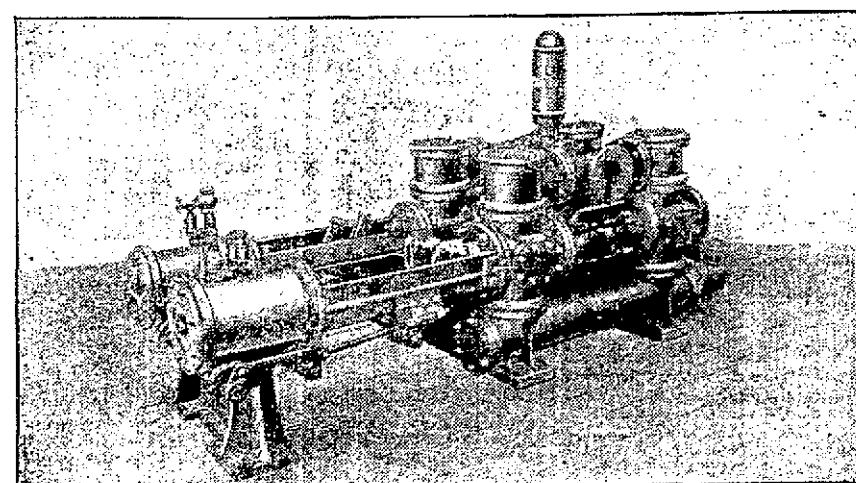
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